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FOR MR. DIKEOS A/SY FROM RSO O'HANLON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: VISIT TO US BY LEE, KUN KAI - DEPUTY

DIRECTOR OF KOREAN NATIONAL POLICE

1. LEE, KUN KAI, BORN OCTOBER 17, 1941, IN KOREA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF KOREAN NATIONAL POLICE, IS VISITING UNITED STATES. HE WILL BE ATTENDING HARVARD FOR ONE YEAR STUDYING POLITICAL HISTORY OF CHINA.

2. LEE HAS REQUESTED RSO TO ALERT MR. DIKEOS THAT HE (LEE) WOULD LIKE TO PAY A COURTESY CALL ON HIM (DIKEOS), IN WASHINGTON APPROX. 6/26. WILL TELEPHONE FOR APPOINTMENT. HE FURTHER REQUESTED A/SY ASSIST HIM IN MEETING SENIOR PERSONS IN FBI AND CIA. LEE ALSO REQUESTED THAT MR. DIKEOS INFORM SY FIELD OFFICE IN BOSTON OF HIS ATTENDANCE AT HARVARD SO THAT BFO MIGHT INTRODUCE HIM TO LOCAL POLICE DIGNATARIES.

3. LEE IS A PROTEGE OF PARK, CHUNG-HUI, PRESIDENT OF KOREA. REPORTEDLY LEE'S FATHER, A KOREAN ARMY OFFICER SAVED PARK FROM EXECUTION IN 1947 AND WAS KILLED DURING THE KOREAN WAR. UPON HIS FATHER'S DEATH, PARK ASSISTED IN RAISING LEE AND PROVIDED EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO HIM. LEE A LAWYER WAS ASSIGNED TO THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE WHERE HE MADE AN OUTSTANDING REPUTATION FOR PROSECUTING CASES INVOLVING CORRUPTION. AT THE AGE OF 30 HE WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR, SEOUL METROPOLITAN POLICE
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RSO. AT THE AGE OF 32, HE WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY DIRECTOR, KOREAN NATIONAL POLICE, AND CONTINUED HIS COOPERATIVE SPIRIT WITH THE RSO.

4. LEE INDICATED UPON HIS RETURN TO THE ROK HE WILL CONTINUE HIS ASSIGNMENT WITH THE KNP. SOURCES ADVISE THE RSO LEE WILL SOONER OR LATER BE A PRIME CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR, KNP AND POSSIBLY HOME MINISTER.

5. ANY COURTESIES SHOWN COULD GREATLY ASSIST FUTURE RSO'S ASSIGNED TO SEOUL.
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